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### **INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Sir:

This constitutes an Information Disclosure Statement pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98. The attached documents listed on the accompanying "IDS List of References" (a substitute for Form PTO/SB/08) are hereby brought to the Examiner's attention in the patent application identified above.

### **REMARKS**

Both of the presently submitted references, Cite Nos. F1 and O1 as listed on the IDS List of References, were cited in a communication issued on July 15, 2009 by the Japanese Patent Office in a counterpart Japanese application.

Cite No. F1 is not in English.

**Concise Explanation of Relevance/Copy of Translation**  
**Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3)**

As a concise explanation of the relevance of Cite No. F1, an English partial translation of the portion of the JPO communication that addresses the reference in its entirety is submitted herewith. (A copy of the JPO communication in its entirety follows the English translation.)

In addition, an English abstract of Cite No. F1 is available on the Japanese Patent Office website through Patent Abstracts of Japan (PAJ), and a copy of the corresponding PAJ abstract is attached to the front of reference.

**STATEMENT AS SPECIFIED IN 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)**

The undersigned hereby states that each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider these references, and to indicate so on the accompanying IDS List of References and make the list of record in the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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